# WON BY THREE PINS.

STOCK YARDS DEFEAT THE KANSAS CITYS IN A CLOSE GAME.

THEY LED FROM THE START.

SOCIALS WIN AN EASY GAME FROM THE MODOCS.

Mawald Makes the High Scores at the Social Rifle Club's Weekly Roll -Race Winners at New Orleans-General Sport-

ing News.

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The veteran Kansas Citys lost a hard fought game to the Stock Yards team last night on the Brunswick alleys. It was one of the closest games of the mason, the refull being decided by 3 pins. In the closing of his thirtieth frame, Richards won the game for the Stock Yards by a double strike. The score was 2,59 to 2,536. The Stock Yards team led all the way to the finish. At the end of the first ten frames they were \$4 points ahead, but the Kansas Citys cut this lead to 6 by the close of the fifteenth frame; then luck swung to the Stock Yards, and the leadwas increased to 12 on the twentieth frame and then came the final rally of the veterans. They chopped the figures down to 3, but that was the best they could do. The Acmes stand proudly at the head to-day, and will light desperately to hold the advantage gained last night's defeat of their closest rival. The scores: STOCK YAEDS.

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Westfall-Stock lans
Kendall-Armorys
Wilson-Electrics
Hyndman-Missours
Bell-Kansas Citys
Tustin-Exchanges
The highest tean scores are: Missouris 2.506

The Socials decated the Modocs last night on the Suniower alleys by a score of 2.408 to 2.288. G. W. Bachr, of the Socials, was high man of the night with 508. The

W. Bachr Cantwell. .....

The scores:

Strikes, Spares, Total Herold ..... Hark .....

## AISON IN NEW YORK.

A. G. Smulding Says There Has Been to Effort to Replace "the Old Man."

New York, Dec. 17.-Captain Anson and A. G. Spaulding, of the Chicago baseball club, rrived to-day on the steamer Saale. "Po" Anson left for Chicago without delay, Mr. Spaulding, when questioned regardig the rumored resignation of Anson gardig the rumored resignation of Anson, said; must have originated from the fact than Anson's ten year contract with the Chiego club expires this year. "Tere is no matter of negotiation and no regnation," continued Mr. Spaulding, "between Captain Anson and the club."

thio Baseball League Organized.

Caton, O., Dec. 17.—The Ohio Baseball League was organized here to-day. Officers ciefed were: President and secretary, Casius M. Miller, of Canton; treasurer, Gerge Goodhart, of Massilon. The single unpire system was adopted and the league agreed to go under the national agreement. N4 more than three games will be played edsecutively in any city. The season opens My 15 and closes September 1.

New Orleans Winners.

tew Orleans, Dec. 17.—Continuance of r weather has dried the track out to-day it was only a trifle slow. Two strong orites scored and Dave S., in the last c, had fair support. Brighton and Evan-is, the two long shots, were clear profit the ring. The attendance was good and ncc, had fair support. Brighton and Evanitus, the two long shots, were clear profit
o the ring. The attendance was good and
he seven books in the ring were kept busy.

Summary:

First race—6 furlongs. Brighton, 106
(Gatewood), 12 to 1, won; Fervor, 107 (Gilmore), 3 to 1 and even, second; Eton Jacket,
105 (Combs), 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:39Second race—Selling; 1 mile. Scaport, 105
(Burns), 3 to 5, won; Dudley E., 28 (Nutt),
10 to 1 and 10 to 1, second; Siva, 102 (Combs),
10 to 2 third. Time, 1:50.

Third race—About 1 mile. Tranby, 107
(Combs), 6 to 5, and Blacking Brush, 101
(Peterman), 20 to 1 and 6 to 1, ran a dead
beat; Booze, 194 (Walker), 4 to 1, third.
Time, 1:42. Run off: Tranby, 2 to 5, won,
Fourth race—Selling; 15-16 mile, Evanatus, 103 (Nutt), 50 to 1, won; Mellie, 96
(Southard), 30 to 1 and 6 to 1, second; Viscount, 121 (Crowhurst), 30 to 1, third. Time,
1:41. Fifth race-1 mile. Dave S. 50 (Clay), 3 to I. won: Repeater, 197 (Walker), 40 to I. second: Verdi, 107 (Caywood), 6 to I, third.

Oakland Results.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Weather clear; track good. Summaries:
First race—54 mile: selling. Judge Stouffer, 91 (Clawson), 6 to 1, won: William O.B., 105 (Thorpet, 2½ to 1, second: O'Feeta, 26 (J. Woods), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:15.
Second race—24 mile. Sybaris, 103 (Thorpe), 7 to 10, won; Lord Marmion, 193 (Conley), 4 to 1, second: Watomba, 105 (Tuberville), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:1535,
Third race—14 miles; selling, Ace, 105 (Conley), 7 to 5 won; Fort Augusta, 105 (Thorpet), 5 to 1, third. Time, 2:3834,
Fourth race—11-16 mile. Trolley, 104 (Thorpet), 8 to 5, won; Dumboy, 104 (Clawson), 10 to 1, third. Time, 2:3834,
Fifth race—15 mile: selling. Bernardillo, 103 (H. Martin), 5 to 2 won; Harry Gwynn, 29 (E. Jones), 25 to 1, second: Sutton, 110 (Conley), 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:29.
Sixth race—54 mile: selling. Midlight, 103 (Conley), 8 to 1, won; Kamsin, 26 (McIntyre), 15 to 1, second: George Rose, 29 (H. Brown), 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:15. Oakland Results.

L. Sewick; directors, W. C. Lucas, Adam Hill, T. P. Howard and G. C. Troy, The board elects the football committee, which in turn elects the manager and coach, A resolution asking the reappointment of Coach Charles E. Young was unanimously massed.

Dime and Campbell Fight a Draw. Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17.-A good size crowd gathered at Mannerchoir hall thi crowd gathered at Mannerchoir half this evening to witness the eight round boxing contest between Jimmy Dime, of Troy, N. Y., and Louden Campbell, at the light-weight limit. The contest was declared a draw, both men being evenly matched. "Jockey" William, of Troy, N. Y., was defeated in seven rounds by Mark Kerwin, of Pittsburg, as a curtain raiser.

#### SWINDLE OF A SPANIARD. Insuccessful Attempt to Fleece

Wealthy Man of Northumberland County, Pa. unsuccessful attempt to defraud

Alexander Billmeyer, a wealthy young re dent of Washingtonville, Pa., out of \$1,000 was made during the past week, details of which were given out by Mr. Billmeyer upon the receipt of a letter from Barcelona, Spain, from which place the gang of consultators ower leaf.

which were given out by Mr. Bilimeyer upon the receipt of a letter from Barcelona, Spain, from which place the gang of conspirators operated.

Mr. Bilimeyer early in the week received a letter from Spain. Senor J. Basaula was the signature. It said that he was confined in a dungeon at Barcelona for stealing \$44,000 in gold three years ago while paymaster in the army. At that time he escaped to America, and while passing through Northumberland county learned that Pinkerton detectives, who had been notified by the Spanish consul at New York to capture Basaula, were close upon his tracks. The Spaniard drove to the suburbs of Washingtonville, and, preparing a chart of a certain piece of ground, burled \$40,000. He went to Williamsport and then departed for San Francisco. There he resided in safety until last year, when he learned that his motherless daughter was very ill and poor in a convent at Toledo, in one of the Spanish provinces.

Her father, who was afraid to revisit Washingtonville to procure the money, sent the chart to his daughter, and a few months later he left for Spain, his idea in first sending the chart being that in the event of his arrest Miss Basaula would be in position to some day recover the burled gold. He was arrested upon landing at Barcelona, but one month ago managed to communicate with his daughter. She was told of a plan to raise \$1,000, with which she was to sail for America and meet Mr. Billmeyer at New York. Then they would visit Washingtonville and dig up the gold which had been burled on Mr. Billmeyer's land, the latter was to have the amount he advanced refunded, together with one-third of the \$40,000.

Mr. Billmeyer received a second letter from Basaula, urging him to act quickly, as there was danger of his daughter going into decline owing to a severe cold on the lungs. The third letter urged immediate compliance with the request. The letter also contained an itemized bill of the daughter's indebtedness, filled out on the convent blank, besides a prison certificate or an excellen

#### "OLD MOORE'S" PROPHECIES. The Southern States, He Says, Will Be "Deluged With Blood"

The "prophetic eye" of the concocter of the familiar English almanac known as "Old Moore's" has already taken in the "Old Moore's" has already taken in the year of Our Lord, 1888, and if half the things that are predicted come to pass the things that are predicted come to pass the twelve months beginning New Year's day ought to furnish a choice assortment of opportunities for journalistic enterprise. "Dire distress and trouble," we are informed, "will envelop the nations as with a garment. Crowns will fall, and, in some cases, heads with them."

The "effete monarchies" of Europe, however, according to "Old Moore," will not be the only sufferers, for he states that in America "a fearful and bloody struggle will take place between the white and black races." The Southern states are to be deluged with blood, and scenes enacted recalling the days of '63 and '64."

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"There will be ruin, havoe and death in
the air, and it will be better for all good
citizens to put their houses in order." And,
as if this were not enough, we are also
informed that "London will be startied by
the news of a great riot, to suppress which
the authorities will have to call out an
armed force." The death of he care, if the authorities armed force." The death of the czar also predicted.

But all these astounding events are to be thrown in the shade in November, when communication is to be opened up with the

After this the discovery of the North Pole comes as an anti-climax, and even the news that "a calamity of unprecedented magnitude may be expected on the Thames." fails to awake within us more than ephemeral interest. We are, of course sorry for the little king of Spain, who is to be "kidnaped and carried across the frontier," and our sympathics go out to the Prince of Wales, who is condemned to a "terrible family bereavement." The German emperor, however, is to "attain the dearest wish of his heart"—whatever that may be. After this the discovery of the North Somewhat more thrilling is the announce ment that in May a collision will occur between "the greatest two European pow-

#### CALIFORNIA ORANGES. Prospect That Last Year's Crop Will

Be Nearly Doubled This Year.

The shipment of this year's orange crop has already begun, and the prospects are new that last year's output will be almost new that last year's output will be almost doubled. The first shipment was made nearly a month earlier than last year, with fruit that was already better colored and sweeter. The orange in Southern California is not thoroughly ripe before January or February, and the old resident of this region is apt to think it not worth eating better March, when it has reached its deepest golden tint and its juices are at the sweetest and most lucious. But the Eastern consumer is in a hurry for his oranges, and if he is willing to pay well for them while they are green the grower is more than willing to get rid of them as or them while they are green the grower more than willing to get rid of them as is more than wining to get in of them as early as possible.

Last year 7,000 car loads of oranges were shipped East from the groves of Southern California, and this year conservative es-timates put the probable shipments at 12,000 carloads, which would be about enough oranges to fill Broadway for half its length chock full of the golden globes. The freeze that destroyed the grows of

enough oranges to fill Broadway for half its length chock full of the golden globes. The freeze that destroyed the groves of Florida a few years ago gave the orange industry in California a tremendous impetus, and ever since it has been going forward by leaps and bounds. But even here, where the influence of the Eastern storms is cut off by mountain ranges, the growers are in constant fear of frost through the entire winter. A few years ago a decided freeze well nigh rulned the orange crop in a wide belt some distance back from the coast. The growers hushed it up, and shipped their frozen frult away as fast as they could box it. But they soon learned that frosts, like chickens, came home to roost, and their oranges got a bad name for a year or two.

Great care is taken now in selecting the fruit for shipment with both oranges and lemons. So rigorous are the packers in their inspection and so high is their standard of fruit fit for shipment that both lemon and orange growers are constantly complaining that there is no money in the business for them.

The lemon industry is also growing very rapidly, and there will be shipped this year about the complex of the complex of the content of the

FATE OF A CHINESE LAD.

Little Boy Tortured Frightfully for Accidentally Killing His Mother.

From the North China Herald. The statement that a lad of 11 years had been arrested at Kinkuei for accidentally Conley), 7 to 5 won; Fort Augusta, 165 (Thorpe), 5 to 1, second; Don Clarencio, 37 (Clawson), 19 to 1, third. Time, 2.984. Fourth race-11-16 mile. Trolley, 194 (Thorpe), 8 to 5, won; Dunboy, 194 (Clawson), 19 to 2, third. Time, 198. Pifth race-75 mile; selling. Bernardillo, 193 (H. Martin), 5 to 2, won; Harry Gwynn, 29 (E. Jones), 25 to 1, second; Sutton, 119 (Conley), 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:29. Sixth race-25 mile; selling. Midlight, 163 (Conley), 8 to 1, won; Kamsin, 96 (Melntyre), 15 to 1, second; George Rose, 19 (H. Brown), 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:15.

M. S. C. Athletic Officers Elected.

Columbia, Mo., Dec, 17.—(Special), The Missouri University Athletic Association to-day elected these officers; President, R. L. Hawkins; vice president, E. P. Weatherly; secretary, C. E. Dewey; treasurer, G. causing the death of his mother, and that

## EXPERTS TALK OF POOLING.

has been caused among connoisseurs and judges ARE DISAGREED. of quality over the introduc-

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ONSIDERABLE interest

Not only is it bottled under the authority of the government of the United States who guarantees it to be 100 per cent proof, but it has the indorsement of the highest chemical authorities in the land. In speaking about it, Professor R. Ogden Doremus, of the Medical College of New York City, says:

"I commend O. F. C. Whiskey to the public and to the medical profession in their practice."

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"O. F. C. Whiskey cannot be improved upon in purity or cleanliness of manufacture." J. P. Barnum, M. D., Ana-

Ky., says: "O. F. C. Whiskey is a perfect distillation from grain."

These outspoken statements from such high authority should commend this article to the attention of all.

#### KID M'COY WINS.

Continued From First Page.

city, met at 165 pounds. They started in at a lively pace, Ross being the aggressor, and in the first round he landed a hard left on the Philadelphian's face, cutting him about the eye badly. It was give and take in the three rounds, both boys getting about the ring lively, and the fighting was fast. In the lifth round Flanagan landed a hard right on the nose and Ross bled profusely. The Philadelphian played for the body and at the end had his man pretty well worked out. Flanagan got the decision. ty well worked out. Finnagan got the decision.

Jack McKeck, of New York, and Jack Ward, of Newark, N. J., then fought eight rounds at 115 pounds. The men merely sparred around for several rounds. In the fifth they began to warm up and in the sixth Ward landed a couple of good swings on the jaw and continued to force the fighting through out the next two rounds. He knocked McKeck up against the ropes in the seventh, but McKeck got back at him in the last round, when he joited Ward's jaw two or three times. The referee declared the bout a draw.

#### PETER MAHER'S DEFI. He Offers to Fight Any Man in the World, Tom Sharkey Pre-

ferred. Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17 .- M. J. Connolly and J. J. Quinn have deposited \$1,000 with the sporting editor of the Pittsburg Dis patch to back Peter Maher against any man in the world for the heavyweight championship. The Maher people will claim the title if the challenge is not accepted in a reasonable time. The defi is aimed particularly at Sharkey. Maher's backers will cover any sized side bet demanded, will fight anywhere and share receipts on the percentage plan, or winner take all, or will accept a suitable purse,

Rublin Soon Whips Smith.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 17.—Gus Ruhlin and Billy Smith, the champion heavyweight of Texas, met before the Hot Springs Athletic Club to-night in what was to have been a fifteen round go. Smith was outclassed and after one and one-half rounds, in which he was badly punished, the referee, Jack Everhardt, stopped the fight and gave the decision to Ruhlin.

## ALWAYS IN REPAIR.

How One Woman Kept a Watch Se Year In and Year Out.

They were sipping chocolate at a down town fashionable cafe and talking of watches. And this is what was said, acwatches. And this is what was said, according to the Philadelphia Times:
"I have carried my watch for ten years," said the senior member of the party, "and it has never cost me a penny for repairs." "Mercy!" exclaimed another one, "how did you manage it?"
"I took care of it. You know men are always making disagreeable remarks about women's watches, and when my husband gave me mine he said it would probably be out of order most of the time. And I just made up my mind to show him that there was one woman in the world who knew how to take care of a watch."
"But have you never lost it or had it stolen?" Never: I dropped it several times at t, but it did not show any marks." But do the works never get out of or-

der?"
"The what?"
"The works inside, Have you never brok"The works inside,"
"The works inside,"
"The works inside,"
"The works inside,"
"The what?" en the mainspring?"
"I never looked inside."

"I never looked inside."
"But how do you wind it?"
"I don't wind it. That's how I take care
of it and keep it nice."
They all stared for a moment. Then they
said: "Oh, you clever thing!" and adjourned sine die.

#### THE NEW GOLF RED. it Appears in Many of the Prettiest Gowns and Jackets Seen on the Streets To-day.

The new golf red is pretty near the hunting pink of the English field. It is a brilliant beautiful color, and sets off splen-didly the scarlet checks that ornament the true golfer. Sweaters of this scarlet pink are already offered, and are to be worn at all sorts of out-of-door sports. It is the fad to allow the neck of the sweater to posh down, linen coilar and formal tie showing above. This implies that the sweater is on only for warmth and not to make you easier or more unrestricted in movement. A golf red sweater for the small boy is just the thing to get him, and we will surely all of us be donning the pretty color for skating and winter outing, even though we do not patronize golf.

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It may be bright flashes of color like this, which are permitted in various ways in outdoor sports, that cause the fondness for striking hues now shown by town promenaders. Whatever leads to it, the fondness plainly exists, though it is evidenced by brilliant plaids instead or such solid bits of color as golf red sweaters and scarlet waistcoats. It is noticeable, too, that the plaids are usually cut according to the fatest notions, so they always repay watching. One exceedingly jaunty example is a jacket bodice of plaid popilin in which red and green were plentiful, and a plain skirt of heavy green cloth. The bodice had a narrow vest of tucked white chiffon, outside this being triple revers of the goods, and fronts, basque and cuffs were finished as indicated with tucking. The waist was clasped by a green leather belt, and the whole was an exceedingly jaunty outfit.

Liquors for Kansas.

Liquors for Kanana. Shipped daily in secured packages by GEORGE EYSSELL, Druggist, Opposite waiting room, Union depot,

FREIGHT BUREAU COMMISSIONERS

tion into this city of the cele-Chairman Kelly Favors Pooling While Secretary Trickett Opposes It-Both Give Reasons General Railroad News.

> Washington, Dec. 17 .- The first regular meeting of the National Association of Freight Commissioners was held here today for the general purpose of effecting a permanent organization. The members of the association represent commercial bodies in their respective cities and are charged with the duty of securing equal justice for shippers in their dealings with the transportation companies.

One purpose of the organization is said to be the proper presentation of the shippers' side of the questions which may be at any time under consideration by conat any time under consideration by congress.

Those present at to-day's meeting were; N. B. Kelly, of the Trades League, of Philadelphia, chairman; W. P. Trickett, of the Kansas City transportation bureau; secretary; A. J. Vanlandingham, of the St. Louis traffic bureau; L. A. Boswell, of the Quincy, Ill., freight bureau; George A. Schroeder, of the Milwaukee freight bureau; F. W. Maxwell, of the St. Joseph, Mo., Commercial Club and jobbers' transportation bureau; E. P. Wilson, of the Cincinnat transportation bureau; F. B. Barber, president of the American Export Association, of New York; George A. Anderson, of the Pittsburg chamber of commerce; J. A. Smith, of the Charleston, S. C., freight bureau; F. L. Brown, of the Pacific Coast Hardware and Metal Association.

Addresses were delivered by Messrs, Kel-

smith, of the Charleston, S. C., freight bureau; J. A. Farley, of the Dallas, Tex., freight bureau; F. L. Brown, of the Pacific Coast Hardware and Metal Association.

Addresses wero delivered by Messrs, Kelly and Trickett. Chairman Kelly favored rallroad pooling, wile Secretary Trickett opposed it. Mr. Kelly said:

"If but about one-third of the rallway mileage of the country gives this due return to the people there must be some great underlying reason, and this reason we believe will be found at the roots of the Upas tree of governmental dictation; the only remedy for which must be sought in the creation of a strong public sentiment radiating from the stock and bondholding classes outward, demanding that freedom of co-operative action which practical officials of the carrying interests, as well as the large majority of the commercial interests, believe will bring prosperity where it is most needed. It is a splendid advantage to be arrayed upon the side of the right, and this is the manifest attitude of those in favor of the resolution which is now before you."

Commissioner Trickett, of the Kansas City bureau, in opposing pooling, said:

"The proposition to legislate in favor of pooling embraces greater possibilities than is usually conceded, from the fact that you place in the hands of the transportation interests an indomntable power not necessary in the protection of their property, and not extended to any other business interest in this country. Where different localities are enabled to-day, and always have been, to maintain their commercial importance, due to the fact of reasonable competition between interested carriers, their ability to continue the progmaterially, and in many instances measurably destroyed.

"The commercial organizations on record in support of the proposed legislation base their opinions on their satisfaction, rather than that of the interests they are supposed to serve.

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The prompt movement of freight by lines designated is of much importance to the slipper in the fulfillment of contracts, particularly in the grain business.

"Briefly stated, the inevitable results of legalized pooling would be:
"First-The loss of power to restrain unjust discrimination against localities.
"Second-Service, both freight and passenger, inadequate to the needs of the country. country.
"Third-Performance of minimum service

country.

"Third-Performance of minimum service at a maximum charge.

"Fourth-Decrease of legal liability of individual lines.

"Fifth-The mortgaging of the traffic of our entire country to the railroads, vesting in them absolute power to handle it as they see fit.

"In addition to these, there are other reasons which would be more apparent under the practical workings of a pool,"

Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

President, N. B. Kelley, of Philadelphia; vice president, John A. Smith, of Charleston, S. C.; secretary, W. E. Trickett, of Kansas City; treasurer, W. F. Maxwell, of St. Joseph, Mo.; executive committee, A. J. Vanlandingham, of St. Louis; F. B. Thurber, of New York; L. B. Boswell, of Quincy, Ill.; J. S. Vavant, of Memphis, Tenm., and J. B. Denison, of Galveston, Tex.

Annual meetings will be held in Wash-

Tenn., and J. B. Denison, of Galveston, Tex.

Annual meetings will be held in Washington the day preceding the opening session of the national board of trade. Resolutions were adopted urging that additional power be conferred on the interstate commerce commission to meet weakening of its powers occasioned by judicial decisions, requesting all ralironds to adopt uniform freight classifications prior to January 1, 1888, and indorsing the pending anti-scalping bill. Eastern delegates submitted a resolution favoring, and Western delegates a resolution opposing, pooling bills. An agreement being found impossible, the association adopted a resolution referring the resolutions offered back to the members of the association.

SALE OF A FRISCO BRANCH. Line From Seneca, Mo., to Sapulpa, I. T., to Be Sold Under Fore-

closure To-day.

Muskogee, I. T., Dec. 17.-(Special.) The central division of the Atlantic & Pacific railroad, 112 miles in length, extending from Seneca, Mo., to Sapulpa, I. T., with nine miles of sidetracks, will be sold at Vinita. T., to-morrow, under a decree of the United States court entered in favor of the Central Trust Company, of New York, for \$4,675,557.04. No bid of less than \$1,500,000 \$4,675.557.04. No bid of less than \$1,500,000 will be accepted by the property. It is expected the bondholders will buy the road and that it will continue to be operated as a branch of the Frisco. The construction of this division of the Atlantic & Pacific was begun about 1895, and hirty-four miles of the road, from Seneca to Vinita, completed in 1873. The road from Vinita to Sapulpa was built between 1882 and 1886. It was the plan at that time to extend the road to a connection with the Western division of the Atlantic & Pacific at Albuquerque. It is now believed that the line will be extended to Guthric, O. T., after its reorganization.

## IMPORTANT TO KANSANS.

Pop Board Shows Rates From New Orleans to San Francisco Are Too High.

after its reorganization.

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 17.-(Special.) The state board of railroad commissioners prooses to incorporate a portion of the report of the interstate commerce commission in its forthcoming annual report to show that the rates charged by railroads for hauling freight are very inconsistent. On certain goods it will be shown that the freight on domestic shipments from New Orleans to domestic shipments from New Orleans to San Francisco are about twice as high as the freight on the same kind of goods in foreign countries from the place of production through New Orleans to the same destination. For instance, the board claims that it costs \$2.88 per 100 pounds to ship books from New Orleans to San Francisco, while the same kind of books can be shipped from Liverpool to San Francisco by way of New Orleans for \$1.07 per 100 pounds. This is important to Kansans.

Southwestern Rate Changes. St. Louis, Dec. 17.—These changes in rates have been promulgated by the Southwest-ern freight bureau: A rate of \$87.50 per standard car on horses and mules, car-loads from stations, Quanah to Texline,

Tex., inclusive, to Kansas City, via Panhandle, Tex. A rate of 96 cents per 100 pounds on lard, in tin cans, carloads, St. Louls and Kansas City, to Brownsville, Tex., based on the compilation of locals through New Orleans with usual differentials from other points west of the Mississippi river.

# GRAIN RATES GO TO PIECES.

Milwaukee to New York 15 Cents, to Philadelphia 13 Cents, to Baltimore 12 Cents.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 17.-Grain rates to the East took an astonishing drop to-day. Fifteen cents on 100 pounds of grain and flour in car lots from Milwaukee to New York, 13 cents to Philadelphia and 12 cents to Baltimore are the new figures. Shippers o-day are getting as low a rate as though the lakes were open, whereas navigation has practically ceased. No one can recol-lect a time when all rail rates to the East have been as low at this time of the year as they are at present.

Quarter of a Million Passengers.

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Chicago, Dec. 17.—A meeting of the lines of the Western Passenger Association will be held in the near future to consider rates and arrangements for the large amount of business that is expected to set in toward Alaska within a few weeks. Some of the roads say that the total number of passengers to be handled for this traffic in the late winter and early spring will amount to 250,000, and, while others do not place the estimate as high as this, they agree that the traffic will be very heavy. To handle this business without any serious demoralization of rates is to be the effort of the Western lines.

#### Mileage Ticket Fight.

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Chicago, Dec. 17,—The fight over the interchangeable mileage ticket of the Central Passenger committee is approaching a crisis and it is likely that at a meeting of the committee in the near future it will be found necessary to revise the agreement in several important particulars. If not make a new one altogether. The Vanderbilt lines have declared that they are going to accept the interchangeable ticket for transportation when it is presented on trains and it is likely that the other lines will be compelled to do so or devise some form of an agreement that will be acceptable to the Lake Shore and Michigan Central.

Maple Leaf Shows Good Earnings. Chicago, Dec. 17.—The net earnings of the Chicago & Northwestern for the month of November were \$139,182, an increase of 88,662 over the same month of last year. From July 1 to November 30, the net earn-ings of the road have been \$738,158, an in-crease of \$254,258 over the same period of the preceding year.

Alton May Adopt "Axle Lights." Topeka, Kas., Dec. 17.—(Special.) W. L. Brown, of the Chicago & Alton, at Chicago, was in the city to-day inspecting the fitting up of Santa Fe passenger coaches with "axle electric lights," with a view of having his road adopt the system.

Rock Island Makes Low Rates. Chicago. Dec. 17.—The Rock Island has given notice that it will make a one fare rate for holiday excursions between all points in Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma Territory.

Railroad Notes.

F. B. Montgomery, general agent of the Santa Fe freight department, will go to Topeka to-day.
C. L. Seagraves, traveling passenger agent of the Santa Fe, Topeka, was in Kansas City yesterday.
R. M. Bacheller, general agent of the Santa Fe freight department at St. Joseph, was in Kansas City yesterday.
A special execution of seventy people, on A special excursion of seventy people, on a train of eight cars, passed through on the Santa Fe yesterday, en route to Cali-

J. E. Gorman, assistant general freight agent of the Santa Fe, Chicago, was in Kansas City yesterday. He will leave this morning for Topeka.

#### THE BRIDE'S VEIL.

A Device to Keep It From Disarranging Her Hair-Other Conventences for the Bride.

A new device has been put into oper ation at a church wedding to prevent the bride's veil from pulling down her hair and disarranging the coronet of or-When, after the ceremony the bride's veil is put back from her face, preparatory to starting down the aisle on the arm o to starting down the aisle on the arm of her newly made husband, there is doubt and hesitation under the tulle as to whether the first bridesmaid has done her duty properly or whether she has made the bride look like a guy. One twitch too far or too strong will do the business. It was founded on fact, that story of a well known fashionable clergyman, who heard the kneeling bride at his feet interpolate the current of her yours with the whitenered current of her vows with the whispere exclamation: 'If you don't get off my ve I'll kill you!' addressed to the kneelin

I'll kill you!" addressed to the kneeling bridegroom.

The new device is to have a short separate length of tulle for the face alone. The bride's hair is first arranged carefully, and the long veil draped about her with an eye to the effect to be seen when the organ strikes up Mendelssohn's well known wedding march, or Sodermann's scarcely less lovely Swedish wedding march. The coronet of orange flowers is arranged. The thara or half-hoop of them is more becoming than the complete circle, which sometimes makes the head look too large. Pull out the petals to make them stand up, and make the leaves lie down, so that the decoration will resemble as far as possible a coronet of pearls.

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The veils now will hang gracefully from the temples downward, leaving bare the face. Now take a length of tulle, turn in the ends toward the middle at the top of the piece only, and shape it so that two strong halrplins will support it from bagging downward. Pin them lightly under the other veil on the bride's head, not too far back to be easily reached in the few seconds of time allowed to the bridesmaid for this service in front of the chancel rails. The advantage of having a separate piece will readily be seen by the mind feminine. Instead of any tugging or efforts that may pull the coronet over one ear the bride's veil is left untouched exactly as the milliner arranged it, while the loose piece of tulle which covered the face of the bride-elect is quickly unpinned from the young matron's brow by the deft fingers of the maid to whom she has confided this pleasing task.

The bride of to-day often carries an ivory-bound prayer book in her hand instead of a bouquet. She does not take the bouquet to the church at all, nor make use of it before the wedding breakfast or reception, when she holds it in her left hand, leaving the right free for handshaking.

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Do not forget to slit the ring finger of the left hand of the bride's glove, so as to avoid unnecessary scrimmaging to make the ring go in easily. The bridegroom also should be cautioned to black the soles of his boots so they will not shine new and white when upturned to the eyes of the wedding party as he kneels before the clergyman.

## A HYMN THAT HELPED.

How a Religious Song Aided a Poor German Peasant and Prevented His Eviction. In an interesting article, entitled "Hymns

that Helped," published in McClure's Mag-azine, W. T. Stead tells this strange story, legend of Germany:
In a village near Warsaw there lived In a village near Warsaw there lived a pious German peasant named Dobyr. Without remedy, he had fallen into arrears of rent, and his landlord threatened to evict him. It was winter. Thrice he appealed for a respite, but in vain. It was evening, and the next day his family were to be turned into the snow. Dobyr kneeled down in the midst of his family. After prayer they sang:

Commit thou all thy griefs And ways into His hands. As they came to the last verse, in German, of part I,

When Thou wouldst all our needs supply. Who, who shall stay Thy hand? Who, who shall stay Thy hand? there was a knock at the window close by where he knelt, and, opening it, Dobyr was met by a raven, one which his grandfather had tamed and set at liberty. In its bill was a ring, set with precious stones. This he took to his minister, who said at once that it belonged to the king. Stanislaus, to whom he returned it, and related his story. The king sent for Dobyr, and, besides rewarding him on the spot, built for him next year, a new house, and stocked his cattle stalls from the royal domain. Over the house door, on an iron tablet, there is carved a raven with a ring in its beak, and underneath this address to Divine Providence:

Thou everywhere hast sway.

Thou everywhere hast sway, And all things serve Thy might: Thy every act pure blessing is, Thy path unsullied light.

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CAMEL CARAVAN MAY SOON BECOME A THING OF THE PAST.

Traveling Mountains of Sand and Oth- The Origin of a Phrase Often Heard er Objects of Interest in the Des-In Pushing Forward.

From the Washington Star.

Among the most interesting and useful pieces of work which civilization is carryng forward at the present time is the construction of the railroad and telegraph lines into the heart of the Sahara, which is being prosecuted by the French government of Algeria. It seems not generally to be known that this civilizing work has already laid a firm grip upon the hospitabl laid a firm grip upon the hospitable sands, and that as a result of its trespass many of the elements of European well-doing and refinement have found their way as permanencies 50 to 150 miles within the desert contines. These lines of message, while they may be considered to be of strategic quality, are indeed the avenues of commerce, the development of which will ultimately force to the wall one of the most picturesque associations of the African continent—the caravan. Their penetration southward is from both the provinces of Oran and Constantine; from the latter the line follows the important caravan route to line follows the important caravan route to Lake Tchad and the Central Soudan, having for its points of concentration or de-fense the cases of Biskra, Tuggurt and

Between these three points, the last of which may be considered to be the final French military outpost of to-day, a regular diligence service is maintained three times per week, and it seems not unlikely that this service will shortly be replaced by that of the Iron horse. The locomotive at the present time enters Biskra, the beginning of the flat desert, and from the further gate of this town oasis may be seen departing the trains of carts laden with their heavy burden of telegraph poles.

The caravan route is not what, perhaps, most persons still continue to believe such a roadway to be, namely, a temporary soft sand road without boundaries, and constantly obliterated in part by the drifting over it of yielding sands. For much of the way, on the contrary, it has hard and cemented roadbed, well adapted to the passage of vehicles and hardly impeded on its surface by a tover of sand. Furthermore, long and constant use by an almost endless number of caravans, with the tread of thousands of feet of men and animals, has so clearly defined its boundaries that it presents all the appearances of an artificial construction.

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It is true, that here and there it buries itself beneath the shifting soil of the desert, but even then its obliteration is in most places only temporary, just as it is sometimes turned by great overflows from fordinarily) small streams, which course close to its margin. In certain places, however, there is a genuine effacement, where mountains of sand are piled up in the path of winds blowing steadily from one quarter. The energy and work accomplished by these winds can hardly be conceived, but some notion of their relentless power may be gathered from the fact that sand dunes 1,000 feet or more in height have been reared across their path. On both sides of the oasis of Tuggurt, M. Foureau, the eminent French explorer of this section of the Sahara, reports the sand dunes to be fully 1,400 feet in elevation, veritable mountain features in the landscape. Askie from the wandering Tonareggs, one of whose main purposes of existence would seem to be the annihilation of all messengers of European civilization, the main hindrance of penetration into the Sahara is concentrated in these sand mountains. Yet it is not alone in the African desert that we meet with features which repeat themselves on even a more gigantic scale. Thus, as we are informed by Major A. C. Yate of the Second

RAILROAD ACROSS SAHARA. Baluchis, and sand drifts of Inman Zaid and Helmand, lying toward Herat, in Afghanistan, are likewise true mountains, in one or more places rising to fully 1,500 and even 2,000 feet in elevation.

"IS THIS YOUR FIRST VISIT?"

A correspondent writes to the Baltimore Sun: Strangers tell us it is a fact that after the formalities of an introduction to an Eastern shoreman at his own home, always follows the question: "Is this your first visit to the Eastern shore?" origin of this custom was set forth by an Eastern shoreman at a Cincinnati banquet at Newport, R. I., some years ago, when he was twitted about the peculiarity of his countrymen. The story is a true

when he was twitted about the peculiarity of his countrymen. The story is a true one.

When General Lafayetite accepted the invitation of congress in 1824 and came to this country as the nation's guest, a great reception was tendered him at the state house in Annapolis, official, by the state. The governor of Maryland at that time was an Eastern shore farmer, who lived on his farm except when the general assembly was in seston, or when he was called to Annapolis at other times on official business. Of course, his presence was indispensable at the Lafayette reception. His function, indeed, was to introduce the distinguished guest. The governor made tho trip on horseback around the head of the bay, clad in a homespun suit, made on his own looms. The roads and weather being worse than he calculated for when he left home, he did not reach the capital until the day of the reception, and after all the other notabilities were there and waiting for the governor, who was hastily ushered into the senate chamber, his clothes splashed with mud just as he was when he dismounted. The distinguished people in splendid array in the chamber confused the plain and patriotic Eastern shore governor, and when he was presented to Lafayette he could think of nothing to say for the moment, he blurted out: "is this the first time you were ever in this country, general?" and from the day the Eastern shore governor made that faux pas to this, the question is religiously, patriotically and proudly put to the stranger when his footsteps first touch the Eastern shore strand.

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From the New York Times.

Ludwig Lushi is a good min. He preached a most valuable sermon to women the other day, and his text was that magnificent piece of slang, a genuine classic in its way. "There Are Others." A willful young woman who was engaged to marry its way. "There Are Others." A willful young woman who was engaged to marry Lushi threw him over at the list moment without a word of warning. She did not really mean it, for five days afterwards she telegraphed Lushi to come to another town, meet her, and marry her. No doubt she had pictured the distracted Lushi as wandering by the river's brink in the moonlight, heaving sighs that raised a heavy sea on the unusually peaceful waters, and dwelling on thoughts of suicidal tinge. But Lushi was not that sort of a man. He was one of the men who say: "There Are Others." In the five days which had passed he had made the acquaintance of another girl, won her, and married her. In answer to the telegram he sent her marked copies of the papers containing the wedding notices. Now girl No. I will go through life with the cheerful conviction that by her folly she lost a real man. But perhaps that kind of a girl would be happier in the end with a man of dough.

The Mitigating Feature.

From the Chicago News.

Lakeside—"By Jove, old man, I don't see how you can live in Milwaukee! Why, it's as slow as St. Louis."

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